

16 DIE AS ROME HOSPITAL BURNS

PINCHOT IS WINNER IN PENN RACE

Former Bull Moose Gets Nomination for the Governorship.

Philadelphia, May 18.—Returns from 7,543 out of 7,934 election districts in Pennsylvania, in Tuesday's primary so far tabulated shows a majority of 8,027 for Gifford Pinchot for the Republican gubernatorial nomination over Attorney General Alter.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 18.—(By Associated Press.)—A steady increase in his lead over Attorney General George E. Alter for the Republican nomination for governor of Pennsylvania was maintained today by Gifford Pinchot, former state forester, who was prominent in the Progressive party movements led by Theodore Roosevelt in 1912, and 1914. Pinchot jumped into the lead early last night when about seven thousand of the 7,934 districts in the state had reported their unofficial returns from Tuesday's primary, and nearly twenty additional districts heard from during the night increased his majority.

With 426 districts missing, Pinchot early today had a lead of 7,423, the unofficial vote in the 7,426 districts reporting giving him a total of 405,442, against 437,808 for Alter. Pinchot obtained his lead from districts outside of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, and as most of the missing districts are in sections where Pinchot showed the greatest strength, his advantage was expected to grow as more returns were received.

Gives Women Credit.
Women played a big part in the result. Hundreds of them were in the thick of the campaign in all sections of the state in the interest of Pinchot. Pinchot women's committees were organized in nearly all the larger cities and many of them toured the state in his behalf. Mrs. Pinchot, in a statement today, said it was the women who had brought about the "victory."

"It is impossible to express what we owe to the women who have helped us," she said. "It was not only the leaders, but those in the everyday walk of life, who brought about the final result. It is springtime and there has been many a postponed house-cleaning that my husband might bring to victory."

"One thing has been very noticeable. The women work entirely on principle. If they think a certain candidate the right one and a man who stands for the proper ideals, they will spare nothing to make him successful. They are doing it for party and ties of friendship, but the women have proved by their whole-hearted support that they believe in clean and honest government."

Pepper Wins Easily.
United States Senator George William Pepper won a walkover in the only other contest in the Republican party, defeating Congressman-at-large William B. Burke, for the nomination for the unexpired term of the late Senator Penrose by a big majority.

Forty thirty Republican members of the Pennsylvania congressional delegation apparently were defeated. Latest figures show that Representatives E. J. Jones, Ben K. Focht, Charles R. Connell, and Anderson H. Walters were beaten.

Several women were nominated for the state legislature, to be voted for next November by both Republicans and Democrats.

Two women were nominated by the Democrats for representative in congress.

POWERS ADOPT NON-FIGHT PACT

Treaty of Non-Aggression Is Not Signed But Passed at Genoa in Form of Resolution.

Genoa, Italy, May 18.—(By the Associated Press.)—The non-aggression pact was adopted unanimously at a plenary meeting of the political subcommittee of the Genoa conference today. The pact was not signed, but was adopted in the form of a resolution, each state pledging itself to respect it.

GREAT GRANDMA OF 22 ENDS HER LIFE BY HANGING
Lincoln, Ill., May 18.—Mrs. Bethany Ann Vaughn, 86, grandmother of 16 and great-grandmother of 22 children, ended her life at the home of her daughter here yesterday, by hanging herself with her apron. Ill-health was the cause ascribed.

GOVERNOR WILL ACT IN CASE OF W. H. H. MILLER

Indicates He Will Dismiss Director of Registration.

Waukegan, Ill., May 18.—(By the Associated Press.)—Declaring that he has determined that examinations for professions and trades "having control over the lives and safety of our people shall be surrounded by every possible safeguard," Governor Small, in a communication addressed to the committee of physicians appointed to investigate irregularities in the office of W. H. H. Miller, director of registration and education, said that he "shall make whatever changes are necessary to bring about this result."

The committee has recommended the removal of Miller, who is under indictment in connection with an alleged illegal traffic in physicians' and pharmacists' licenses and other state permits.

Two Men Indicted.
Miller and his son-in-law, Karl M. Fries, his trusted aide in the office, were indicted as the result of an investigation brought on by the discovery of "leaks" through which copies of state examinations reached the hands of applicants for licenses before the examinations were held.

The committee, composed of Dr. William Noble of Evanston; Dr. W. A. Evans of Chicago and Dr. S. P. Sloan of Bloomington was appointed by the governor to make an independent investigation following disclosures made by the Cook county state's attorney's office.

Miller was charged with controlling the operations of an alleged graft ring through which "quacks" were loosed upon the public.

GENOA RECEIVES REPLY FROM U. S.

Reuters Says American Note Reserves Decision on Participation in Hague Meet.

Genoa, May 18.—(By the Associated Press.)—Reuters today states that a reply has been received from the United States with reference to participation in the projected commission at The Hague on Russian affairs, saying the United States reserves its decision pending a further investigation and until the situation becomes clearer.

Genoa, May 18.—(By the Associated Press.)—Sir Edward Grigg announced on behalf of the British delegation this afternoon that no further advice had been received from the United States government and that it did not seem likely that the United States would participate in The Hague meeting, at least until the scope of the meeting was better understood.

4 DEAD IN NEW BELFAST RIOTS

Police and Soldiers Battle Gunmen Throughout Night; Many Are Wounded.

Belfast, Ireland, May 18.—(By the Associated Press.)—A wild night of firing in the Marrowbone district of Belfast, with police and soldiers battling gunmen, was followed by further shooting today as the working people were on their way to the shops. At least four more are dead as a result of these disturbances and several others wounded, some of them seriously.

THE WEATHER

Fair tonight and Friday. Not much change in temperature. Highest temperature yesterday, 73; lowest last night, 51. Wind velocity at 7 a. m., 12 miles per hour. Precipitation in last 24 hours, .45 inch.

12 m. 7 p.m. 7 a.m. yesterday, yesterday, today.

Dry bulb temp. 55 68 54
Wet bulb temp. 57 57 51
Rel. humidity 82 82 82
River stage at 7 a. m., 7.4; no change in last 24 hours.
Sunset today, 7:19; sunrise tomorrow, 4:39.

Eliver Forecast.
The Mississippi river from below Dubuque to Muscatine will change but little during the next few days.
ANDREW HAMRICK,
Meteorologist.

River Stages.	5.5	0.6
St. Paul	5.5	0.6
Red's Landing	5.9	-0.1
LaCrosse	7.4	-0.1
Lansing	8.8	-0.1
Prairie du Chien	8.6	-0.1
Dubuque	9.6	0.1
Davenport	5.9	0.0
LeClaire	7.4	0.0
Keokuk	7.6	0.0
St. Louis	15.5	0.0

DEAD BANDIT IS SHOTZ OF ROCK ISLAND

Former Convict Killed in Keithsburg; Valandingham Pal.

Charles Shontz, alias Eddie Murphy, Rock Island, was the safe-blower killed in Keithsburg yesterday morning after "blowing" safes in Monmouth.

He was identified after investigations by Chief Tom Cox of the Rock Island police force, in answer to a request from the state's attorney's office in Monmouth last night.

Shontz is said to have lived with Frank Valandingham, who was arrested when Shontz was shot and was known to the police here, although he had never been in trouble in Rock Island. Shontz was employed by the Beardsley Specialty company some time, but more recently had worked privately as a painter of initials and monograms upon automobiles. Valandingham lived at 2007 Fifth avenue but resided in the Waupun, Wis., penitentiary, it is said, for safeblowing.

Shontz left Rock Island Monday noon without announcing where he was going.

Frank Valandingham, the captured yegg, formerly drove a truck for the McCullough Lumber company, one of the places where a safe was forced Tuesday night in Monmouth. Recently he was employed as a laborer in the construction of the Illinois Oil company building at Twenty-fourth street and Twenty-fifth street, where he left Rock Island ostensibly to go to Galesburg to see his wife.

Clears Up Case.
Chief Cox's information cleared up several angles of the case at Monmouth.

Valandingham implicated himself by his own words, through the chief's information. He yesterday maintained that he did not know the dead safeblower and had never seen him before.

Information from Rock Island that the two men lived and were seen together much and left here about the same time, coupled with the fact of their being captured together, positively implicates Valandingham.

Mystery yesterday surrounded the identity of the dead yegg. There was nothing on his person to identify him.

Recall Grand Jury.
The Warren county grand jury will be recalled next week to hear cases against Frank Valandingham, Monmouth officials said today.

While evidence which positively implicated him was being collected by the state's attorneys, Valandingham in the Monmouth jail, declared he had no part in the robbery.

Valandingham served with the United States forces in Archangel, Siberia. His wife, whom he said he went to see in Galesburg, is living there. She recently left him.

"Gunshot Wounds."
Shontz, alias Murphy, was still unidentified when a coroner's jury in Keithsburg heard the case yesterday afternoon. Their verdict was:

"He died as the result of gunshot wounds received in a battle with the city marshal. The marshal fired while in faithful discharge of his duties as a police officer."

The inquest was held in the office of J. P. Gushie in Keithsburg. James Campbell, who accompanied Marshal Albertson at the time of the affair, stated that when the shooting was going on in a steel coal car near the M. & St. L. water tank, Valandingham had him covered with a gun. Campbell said he told Valandingham he was unarmed and not to shoot. He then stated that Valandingham threw the gun and started to run, but was halted by the marshal.

When Valandingham was in the witness chair he claimed he had no part in the affair, saying that when the shooting started he jumped from the car and hid under it. He said at no time did he have a gun in his hand. The gun which Campbell said Valandingham threw away was picked up near the spot. He denied all knowledge of failed to gain any information from him by cross examination.

DENIES STEEL MERGER.
New York, May 18.—Reports that the Midvale Steel and Ordnance company was to be absorbed by the Bethlehem Steel corporation, were denied by Thomas L. Chadbourne, counsel for the Independent Steel companies.

BRIDGE FALLS; 2 TRAINMEN DIE

Frisco Freight Plunges Through Trestle in Oklahoma; Five Cars and Engine Go Down.

Armore, Okla., May 18.—Two men were killed and another probably fatally injured when a St. Louis & San Francisco railroad freight train plunged through the bridge over Boggy river near Sophomore, about fifty miles east of here at midnight last night, according to word received here today. Five cars with the engine and tender dropped from an embankment 25 feet high.

Californians Bring Back "Days of '49" in Crusade To "Gold Diggin's" of Old
BY WILLIAM JAY.
Consolidated Press Correspondent. (Copyright, 1922, by The Argus.)
San Francisco, May 18.—The "rootin', tootin' days of the golden west are back."

Out of the storied pages of California's romantic history the ghost towns of the gold days have returned to life. Streets and tumble-down shacks of the old mining camps and settlements are being restored for years, are echoing the footsteps of the living instead of being, because of age and desolation, mute reminders of the dead.

The Eldorado county—land made famous by Bret Harte and Mark Twain—breathes once more the spirit of the pioneer, for an epoch of American life is in the remaking today. The buckskin breeches, the crinoline skirt and calico dresses, the red bandanna, the demure parrot of our great grandmothers, once again are the fashion, for all California is paying tribute to the pioneers—the men who left the stony farms of bleak New England, the cotton plantations of the southland, the industrial centers of the east, and the ranches of the border states to answer the magical call of gold.

Sacramento Is Mecca.
Today, tomorrow, all next week, cavalades are setting forth to the gold country. From San Francisco and the entire state the pilgrimages have begun. The destination is Sutter's Fort, the capital of the promised land of fortune in the days of gold. Today Sacramento, capital of California. There all next week will be portrayed the

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Many of the settlements have been deserted since the "days of '49." The cry of "new and richer diggin's" was the ruin of more than one prosperous camp. Houses and shacks were left over night as the miners stampeded to spots where better luck had been reported.

Camps Come to Life.
Off the beaten path of the tourist and thus with all of their traditions preserved are more than a score of "49 camps. Hornitos is one of these, lying in a slight depression, nestling away out of the hills. Last week its populace numbered hardly a dozen. Friday there will be hundreds there headed by Joseph H. Knowland, modern pioneer and editor of the Oakland Tribune. The old bars, dry and deserted for two generations, with faded playing cards still on the floor and dusty glasses in the back bar, will serve at least as meeting places. The bullet holes in the doors will be mute reminders of "Dead Man's Alley," so called because it gave up a corpse each night before the vigilantes came.

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TARIFF BILL IS FACED BY LONG SENATE DEBATE

Lodge Says It Will Be Considered Until Passed.

Washington, May 18.—Senate Republicans and Democrats were in accord today on at least one point with regard to the administration's tariff bill—that it will be before the senate for a long time.

Formal notice was given by Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, the majority leader, that it was the intention of those in charge of the legislation to keep it under consideration practically continuously until it was passed, irrespective of the time required.

Announcement was made by Senator Underwood of Alabama, the minority leader, that it was the purpose of the Democrats to debate the bill for weeks, not for the purpose of delay, but to let the country know what was in it.

Plays Slacker Solons.
These announcements were forthcoming in the course of a stormy session of the senate last night, which wound up with a fiery speech by Chairman McCumber of the finance committee, in charge of the tariff bill, who invited Republican senators absenting themselves on rolls calls either to stay on the job or resign.

Senator McCumber said he could not expect the Democrats, who did not believe in the bill, to furnish a quorum, but that he did expect the Republicans, who believed in the bill, and who could attend the sessions, to remain on the job. If they did not, he declared, they should resign and let their states send to the senate men who would do so.

Can't Keep Quorum.
The senate had difficulty during the early hours in keeping a quorum for last night's session, the fifth that had been held after shutdown for consideration of the tariff measure. There were seven roll calls before a sustained attendance of a bare majority could be had, and many of the absentees were the presence of the absentees.

GIRL IS KILLED ON WEDDING DAY EVE
Duluth, Minn., May 18.—Miss Anna Kertz, 23, died in a hospital this morning from injuries received in an automobile accident. She was to have been married today.

Scallan Refuses Trial.
Kickham Scallan, chief justice of the criminal courts, practically refused to grant an immediate trial to the "Big Three," Fred Mader, president of the Chicago Building Trades council; "Big Tim" Murphy, head of the Gas House workers, and "Con" Shea of the Theatrical Janitors' union, indicted in connection with the slaying of the policeman. Hearing on their application was postponed until Monday.

Europe Banks ARE 'BUSTED'
Vanderlip Cables from Genoa That Most of Them Are "In Varying Degrees of Insolvency."

Washington, May 18.—Most central banks in Europe are today "in varying degrees of insolvency," Frank A. Vanderlip, New York banker, said in a cabled review of the Genoa conference, sent to the annual convention of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. The plan for a conference at London of such banks therefore promised little of immediate result, he added, and their proposed cooperation in the solution of Europe's financial difficulties would be difficult to realize.

Describing the Genoa conference as "a clinic" which was circumvented in the type of "diseases" which it might cure, Mr. Vanderlip recommended that the United States enter the proposed London financial meeting, but only with an understanding that "our federal reserve system be kept free from alien commitments." He commended the Washington government for the attitude it has maintained toward Europe and said the chamber should refrain from embarrassing it by suggestion.

An address by President Harding was included in the program for the final sessions today of the 10th annual meeting here of the chamber. Secretary Hughes was scheduled to address the delegates tonight, while Chairman Lasker of the shipping board was among the list of speakers at an early session.

LeForce Grills Beck.
When Charles C. LeForce, chief of counsel for the governor, took the witness on cross-examination he questioned him closely concerning collateral state loans, cash items, and the intricate system of the treasurer's office.

PACKER IS CALLED IN SMALL CASE

Armour Treasurer Prosecution Witness; Tells of Loans.

Waukegan, Ill., May 18.—Replying to questions by the prosecution in the trial of Governor Small here this afternoon as to what the figures "35" in column headed "rate" in the Armour records meant, Frederick W. Croll, vice president and treasurer of Armour & Co., said that amount was percent of interest paid on notes given the "Grant Park Bank."

Waukegan, Ill., May 18.—(By the Associated Press.)—Frederick W. Croll, vice president and treasurer of Armour & Co., one of the Chicago packers whose notes purchased by the vehicle of the alleged conspiracy through which Governor Len Small, Lieutenant-Governor Fred E. Sterling, Vernon Curtis, and the late Senator Edward C. Curtis are accused of defrauding the state out of millions in interest earnings was called to the witness stand by the prosecution in the trial of the governor today.

It was on \$10,000,000 of state money loaned to Chicago packers that the prosecution charges the governor and his alleged conspirators with collecting from 5 to 8 percent interest and retaining the greater part of it.

Croll followed two attaches of the state treasurer's office—Edward A. Troubaugh, warrant clerk, and Edward Beck, securities clerk—on the stand.

DRIVER ADMITS COMPLICITY IN DEATH OF COPS

Chauffeur of Chicago Death Car Involves Two Others.

Chicago, May 18.—(By the Associated Press.)—Police today made public a confession said by them to have been obtained from John Miller, alleged driver of the car from which shots were fired killing two Chicago policemen on May 2 in the so-called labor war. The two men who were with Miller in the car, according to his confession, were Charles Daudzanskis, alias "Fredrick" and "Floater" Stanley. Search for the men was started today.

Indictment of at least four more persons, one a woman, will be asked of the grand jury today, in connection with the police hunt for terrorists, who police say, are operating as a protest against the Lands wage award, a decision handed down by the Federal Judge Landis, acting as arbitrator, which was supposed to settle differences between contractors and members of the Chicago Building Trades council.

"Safe" Account Again.
Asked what he knew about the "safe" account through which the prosecution charges Governor Small and his colleagues in the alleged conspiracy manipulated funds to obtain interest money for themselves, Beck said he "knew it was there" during Small's term in the treasury.

"How did you know it was there?" asked Assistant State's Attorney Free of Sangamon county.

"It was on the cash statement every day," Beck replied.

Attorney General Invites Merger Representatives to Meet Him on Saturday.
Washington, May 18.—Attorney General Daugherty today invited representatives of the eight steel companies named in the senate resolution directing an inquiry into a proposed merger of independent companies, to meet him on Saturday to discuss their plans for the proposed merger.

The attorney-general, who with the Federal trade commission was directed to take cognizance of the merger, a portion of which was effected yesterday, addressed his invitations to the presidents of the Bethlehem Steel corporation, Inland Steel and Tube, Brier Hill Steel, Youngstown Steel and Tube, Midvale Steel and Ordnance, Republic Iron and Steel, Lackawanna Steel, and the Steel and Tube Company of America.

BURLINGTON CLOSES SHOPS AT HANNIBAL
Hannibal, Mo., May 18.—Officials of the Burlington railroad announced last night that the locomotive department of the company's shops here would be closed down from May 22 to June 1. Approximately 500 men will be affected, it was stated. The coal strike was given as the reason for the order.

BOOSTS "BUSINESS BLOC"
New York, May 18.—Stanwood Menken, president of the National Security League, urged in an address before the Building Trades Employers' association, that business men form a business "bloc" in congress.

AMERICA CAN'T PLAY WAITING GAME TOO LONG

That's Business' View on Europe, Lawrence Says.

BY DAVID LAWRENCE.
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Washington, D. C., May 18.—America must sit down and talk things over with Europe; a basis for economic cooperation must be found; the United States cannot afford to play a waiting game too long—this is the sentiment of the majority of the delegates to the convention of the United States Chamber of Commerce as reflected not only in public discussion but private comments.

A gathering of business men type here today is not unusual in the national capitol but occasional and what is being said on the subject of international relations carries more weight because the chamber of commerce is non-political and non-partisan. Republicans in the convention of business men are as outspoken in their conviction that America must play a more active part as are Democrats. Incidentally the criticism of the Republican administration by the Republicans is one of the most significant things one hears in the lobbies where business men are gathered.

Criticism Harding.
While the criticism is directed at the slow speed of congress and its factionalism, enough is said about the criticism of President Harding to lead congress to indicate that business men want more action and less drifting. Those who have supposed that congress alone was the subject of scrutiny would be disillusioned to hear what the business men are saying about the need for

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HOOVER ACTS TO CUT COAL PRICE

Gets Approval of Leading Bituminous Operators to "Put Stop Point on Increases."

Washington, May 18.—Secretary Hoover asked and obtained today the approval of the leading operators of non-union bituminous coal fields for a government plan of "getting the coal industry by voluntary action to put a stop point on increases in prices of coal" during period of existing coal strike.

The plan, which was approved by about forty operators who met with Mr. Hoover, calls for the creation of a committee of operators with government and consumers' representatives serving on it in each district where coal is produced, through which all orders for coal will be cleared.

A similar general committee will be set up in Washington, and Mr. Hoover assured the coal operators that he had Attorney General Daugherty's opinion that such "co-operative action to reduce and hold down prices in the public interest" would be legal.

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SCHOONER IS SAVED.
Marshall, Ore., May 18.—The motor ship Ozmo, enroute from San Francisco to Alaska, was picked up by the tug Fearless, with her engines disabled after she had drifted helplessly for 12 hours after striking rocks near Port Orford, Ore.

HAIL DRIFTS TWO FEET DEEP AFTER ABINGDON STORM
Galesburg, Ill., May 18.—Small drifts of hail were still to be seen this morning at Abingdon, 10 miles from here, as a result of the storm which swept there early yesterday, leaving hail drifted two feet deep in some places. Buds and leaves were stripped from fruit trees and strawberry beds were ruined. The damage was in a restricted area around Abingdon.

SCORES ARE PERILED AS BEAMS FALL

Shrieks of Sufferers Mingled With Crackling Flames.

Rome, May 18.—(By the Associated Press.)—A disastrous fire swept the historic hospital of Santo Spirito, one of the most ancient and picturesque charitable institutions in Rome, early today. Collapse of the pavement isolated the chronic ward. Sixteen bodies had been extracted from the burning ruins at 7:30 o'clock.

The institution accommodates nearly 5,000 inmates, and includes a hospital, lunatic asylum, foundlings' home, and a refuge for aged and infirm persons.

The fire broke out shortly before midnight in the laundry. It spread rapidly to the neighboring wards, each containing 30 chronic sufferers or infirm patients. The shrieks of the sufferers mingled with the crackling of the flames, while the atmosphere rapidly became dense with smoke.

Darkness Adds Horror.
Nurses and doctors quickly cleared the bed-ridden from one ward, and in the next ward, three of the patients crawled out. At the moment of the arrival of firemen, the electric lights were extinguished, adding to the horror of the situation.

As the immense wooden beams of the hospital fell there was a heavy grinding noise and the pavement collapsed, burying 20 of the chronic patients and making access to the wards impossible.

Two Wards Destroyed.
Carabinieri, royal guards, nurses and doctors made heroic effort to save the patients, rushing through the smoke and fire and bringing out 12. All, however, were dead of suffocation. Several of the rescue parties were injured. The two wards were destroyed but the flames saved the rest of the buildings.

Sixteen bodies already have been recovered. Four other patients were badly burned, and one dangerously injured.

The hospital of Santo Spirito is situated on the bank of the River Tiber, not far from the Vatican grounds. It was founded by Pope Innocent III, in the 12th century, enlarged by Innocent IV in 13th century, and rebuilt under Sixtus IV, in the 15th century.

The war in the hospital chapel was designed by Andrea Palladio, and is reputed to be the only work of this artist in Rome.

PEORIA PICKED FOR G. A. R. MEET

Dr. E. P. Bartlett, Springfield, Is Elected Commander of State Civil War Vets.

Alton, Ill., May 18.—The Illinois department of the G. A. R. adjourned here today after a session of two days, electing officers. Peoria was yesterday chosen as the next meeting place.

The new officers are as follows:
Dr. E. P. Bartlett, Post 30, Springfield, commander.
J. C. Oulson, Post 441, Alton, senior vice commander.
E. L. West, Post 302, Augusta, junior vice commander.
R. I. Law, Post 45, Galesburg, medical director.
W. J. Libberton, Post 5, Chicago, chaplain.
A. D. Cadwallader, Post 132, Lincoln; A. S. Wright, Post 108, Woodstock; William Andrews, Post 81, Rockford; R. M. Campbell, Post 67, Peoria; and C. E. Vaughan, Post 91, Chicago, council of administration.
Henry C. Cooke of Chicago was appointed assistant adjutant for the 10th time.

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